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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Nielsen et al.

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For MEDICAL PUNCTURING DEVICE

Examiner Patricia Bianco

Group Art Unit No. 3762

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed June 21, 2004, Applicants submit herewith a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321 (b).

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